

# FISCAL NOTE

## HB 257 - SB 516

February 28, 2003

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires a qualified nurse wanting a certificate to practice as an advanced practice nurse to apply to the Board of Nursing for certification. Current law makes it permissive as to whether certification is obtained.

### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant**  
**Increase State Revenues - \$120,000 - Year One**  
**\$175,000 - Year Two**

Estimate assumes:

- All nurse practitioners, registered nurse anesthetists, clinical nurse specialists and certified midwives must become advanced practice nurses.
- The initial fee for a certificate of fitness is \$200 that will be paid in the first year by an estimated 600 registered nurse anesthetists, clinical nurse specialists and certified midwives who do not currently hold a nurse practitioner's certificate.
- The biennial fee is \$100 to be paid beginning in the second year by approximately 1,750 current nurse practitioners that already have a certificate of fitness. The \$100 fee is an estimate based upon proposed rules by the Board of Nursing.
- Expenditures related to the additional certifications are estimated to be not significant.

*For information purposes, by statute Health Related Boards are required to be self-sufficient and any surplus revenues are held in reserve.*

### CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director